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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS  
PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, TRADE ENFORCEMENT & CONTROL

RE: ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER ON CERTAIN HOT ROLLED FLAT  
ROLLED CARBON QUALITY STEEL PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN(A-588-846)

1. ON JUNE 29, 1999, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER IN THE INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN HOT-ROLLED FLAT-ROLLED CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN (A-588-846) (64 FR 34778).
2. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS ORDER, THE PRODUCTS COVERED ARE CERTAIN HOT-ROLLED FLAT-ROLLED CARBON- QUALITY STEEL PRODUCTS OF A RECTANGULAR SHAPE, OF A WIDTH OF 0.5 INCH OR GREATER, NEITHER CLAD, PLATED, NOR COATED WITH METAL AND WHETHER OR

NOT PAINTED, VARNISHED, OR COATED WITH PLASTICS OR OTHER NON-METALLIC SUBSTANCES, IN COILS (WHETHER OR NOT IN SUCCESSIVELY SUPERIMPOSED LAYERS) REGARDLESS OF THICKNESS, AND IN STRAIGHT LENGTHS, OF A THICKNESS LESS THAN 4.75 MM AND OF A WIDTH MEASURING AT LEAST 10 TIMES THE THICKNESS. UNIVERSAL MILL PLATE (I.E., FLAT-ROLLED PRODUCTS ROLLED ON FOUR FACES OR IN A CLOSED BOX PASS, OF A WIDTH EXCEEDING 150 MM BUT NOT EXCEEDING 1250 MM AND OF A THICKNESS OF NOT LESS THAN 4 MM, NOT IN COILS AND WITHOUT PATTERNS IN RELIEF) OF A THICKNESS NOT LESS THAN 4.0 MM IS NOT INCLUDED WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THESE ORDERS.

SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED IN THIS SCOPE ARE VACUUM DEGASSED, FULLY STABILIZED (COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS INTERSTITIAL-FREE (IF)) STEELS, HIGH STRENGTH LOW ALLOY (HSLA) STEELS, AND THE SUBSTRATE FOR MOTOR LAMINATION STEELS. IF STEELS ARE RECOGNIZED AS LOW CARBON STEELS WITH MICRO-ALLOYING LEVELS OF ELEMENTS SUCH AS TITANIUM AND/OR NIOBIUM ADDED TO STABILIZE CARBON AND NITROGEN ELEMENTS. HSLA STEELS ARE RECOGNIZED AS STEELS WITH MICRO-ALLOYING LEVELS OF ELEMENTS SUCH AS CHROMIUM, COPPER, NIOBIUM, TITANIUM, VANADIUM, AND MOLYBDENUM. THE SUBSTRATE FOR MOTOR LAMINATION STEELS CONTAINS MICRO-ALLOYING LEVELS OF ELEMENTS SUCH AS SILICON AND ALUMINUM.

STEEL PRODUCTS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE OF THIS ORDER, REGARDLESS OF HTSUS DEFINITIONS, ARE PRODUCTS IN WHICH: 1) IRON PREDOMINATES, BY WEIGHT, OVER EACH OF THE OTHER CONTAINED ELEMENTS; 2) THE CARBON CONTENT IS 2 PERCENT OR LESS, BY WEIGHT; AND 3) NONE OF THE ELEMENTS LISTED BELOW EXCEEDS THE QUANTITY, BY WEIGHT, RESPECTIVELY INDICATED:

1.80 PERCENT OF MANGANESE, OR

1.50 PERCENT OF SILICON, OR

1.00 PERCENT OF COPPER, OR

0.50 PERCENT OF ALUMINUM, OR

1.25 PERCENT OF CHROMIUM, OR

0.30 PERCENT OF COBALT, OR

0.40 PERCENT OF LEAD, OR

1.25 PERCENT OF NICKEL, OR  
0.30 PERCENT OF TUNGSTEN, OR  
0.012 PERCENT OF BORON, OR  
0.10 PERCENT OF MOLYBDENUM, OR  
0.10 PERCENT OF NIOBIUM, OR  
0.41 PERCENT OF TITANIUM, OR  
0.15 PERCENT OF VANADIUM, OR  
0.15 PERCENT OF ZIRCONIUM.

ALL PRODUCTS THAT MEET THE PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL DESCRIPTION PROVIDED ABOVE ARE WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THIS ORDER UNLESS OTHERWISE EXCLUDED. THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS, BY WAY OF EXAMPLE, ARE OUTSIDE AND/OR SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDED FROM THE SCOPE OF THIS ORDER:

ALLOY HOT-ROLLED STEEL PRODUCTS IN WHICH AT LEAST ONE OF THE CHEMICAL ELEMENTS EXCEEDS THOSE LISTED ABOVE (INCLUDING E.G., ASTM SPECIFICATIONS A543, A387, A514, A517, AND A506).

SAE/AISI GRADES OF SERIES 2300 AND HIGHER.

BALL BEARING STEELS, AS DEFINED IN THE HTSUS.

TOOL STEELS, AS DEFINED IN THE HTSUS.

SILICO-MANGANESE (AS DEFINED IN THE HTSUS) OR SILICON ELECTRICAL STEEL WITH A SILICON LEVEL EXCEEDING 1.50 PERCENT.

ASTM SPECIFICATIONS A710 AND A736.

USS ABRASION-RESISTANT STEELS (USS AR 400, USS AR 500).

HOT-ROLLED STEEL COIL WHICH MEETS THE FOLLOWING CHEMICAL, PHYSICAL AND MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS:

C 0.10 - 0.14%  
MN 0.90% MAX  
P 0.025% MAX

S 0.005% MAX  
SI 0.30 - 0.50%  
CR 0.50 - 0.70%  
CU 0.20 - 0.40%  
NI 0.20% MAX

WIDTH EQUALS 44.80 INCHES MAXIMUM; THICKNESS EQUALS  
0.063 - 0.198 INCHES;

YIELD STRENGTH EQUALS 50,000 KSI MINIMUM; TENSILE  
STRENGTH EQUALS 70,000 - 88,000 PSI.

HOT-ROLLED STEEL COIL WHICH MEETS THE FOLLOWING  
CHEMICAL, PHYSICAL AND MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS:

C 0.10 - 0.16%  
MN 0.70 - 0.90%  
P 0.025% MAX  
S 0.006% MAX  
SI 0.30 - 0.50%  
CR 0.50 - 0.70%  
CU 0.25% MAX  
NI 0.20% MAX  
MO 0.21% MAX

WIDTH EQUALS 44.80 INCHES MAXIMUM; THICKNESS EQUALS  
0.350 INCHES MAXIMUM;

YIELD STRENGTH EQUALS 80,000 KSI MINIMUM; TENSILE  
STRENGTH EQUALS 105,000 PSI AIM.

HOT-ROLLED STEEL COIL WHICH MEETS THE FOLLOWING  
CHEMICAL, PHYSICAL AND MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS:

C 0.10 - 0.14%  
MN 1.30 - 1.80%  
P 0.025% MAX  
S 0.005% MAX  
SI 0.30 - 0.50%  
CR 0.50 - 0.70%

CU 0.20 - 0.40%  
NI 0.20% MAX  
V(WT.) 0.10 MAX  
CB 0.08% MAX

WIDTH EQUALS 44.80 INCHES MAXIMUM; THICKNESS EQUALS 0.350 INCHES MAXIMUM;

YIELD STRENGTH EQUALS 80,000 KSI MINIMUM; TENSILE STRENGTH EQUALS 105,000 PSI AIM.

HOT-ROLLED STEEL COIL WHICH MEETS THE FOLLOWING CHEMICAL, PHYSICAL AND MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS:

C 0.15% MAX  
MN 1.40% MAX  
P 0.025% MAX  
S 0.010% MAX  
SI 0.50% MAX  
CR 1.00% MAX  
CU 0.50% MAX  
NI 0.20% MAX  
NB 0.005% MIN  
CA TREATED  
AL 0.01 - 0.07%

WIDTH EQUALS 39.37 INCHES; THICKNESS EQUALS 0.181 INCHES MAXIMUM; YIELD STRENGTH EQUALS 70,000 PSI MINIMUM FOR THICKNESSES 0.148 INCHES AND 65,000 PSI MINIMUM FOR THICKNESSES >0.148 INCHES; TENSILE STRENGTH EQUALS 80,000 PSI MINIMUM.

HOT-ROLLED DUAL PHASE STEEL, PHASE-HARDENED, PRIMARILY WITH A FERRITIC-MARTENSITIC MICROSTRUCTURE, CONTAINS 0.9 PERCENT UP TO AND INCLUDING 1.5 PERCENT SILICON BY WEIGHT, FURTHER CHARACTERIZED BY EITHER (I) TENSILE STRENGTH BETWEEN 540 N/MM AND 640 N/MM AND AN ELONGATION PERCENTAGE 26 PERCENT FOR THICKNESSES OF 2 MM AND ABOVE, OR (II) A TENSILE STRENGTH BETWEEN 590

N/MM AND 690 N/MM AND AN ELONGATION PERCENTAGE 25 PERCENT FOR THICKNESSES OF 2MM AND ABOVE.

HOT-ROLLED BEARING QUALITY STEEL, SAE GRADE 1050, IN COILS, WITH AN INCLUSION RATING OF 1.0 MAXIMUM PER ASTM E 45, METHOD A, WITH EXCELLENT SURFACE QUALITY AND CHEMISTRY RESTRICTIONS AS FOLLOWS: 0.012 PERCENT MAXIMUM PHOSPHORUS, 0.015 PERCENT MAXIMUM SULFUR, AND 0.20 PERCENT MAXIMUM RESIDUALS INCLUDING 0.15 PERCENT MAXIMUM CHROMIUM.

GRADE ASTM-A570-50 HOT-ROLLED STEEL SHEET IN COILS OR CUT LENGTHS, WIDTH OF 74 INCHES (NOMINAL, WITHIN ASTM TOLERANCES), THICKNESS OF 11 GAUGE (0.119 INCH NOMINAL), MILL EDGE AND SKIN PASSED, WITH MINIMUM COPPER CONTENT OF 0.20 PERCENT.

THE MERCHANDISE SUBJECT TO THIS ORDER IS CLASSIFIED IN THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS) AT SUBHEADINGS: 7208.10.15.00, 7208.10.30.00, 7208.10.60.00, 7208.25.30.00, 7208.25.60.00, 7208.26.00.30, 7208.26.00.60, 7208.27.00.30, 7208.27.00.60, 7208.36.00.30, 7208.36.00.60, 7208.37.00.30, 7208.37.00.60, 7208.38.00.15, 7208.38.00.30, 7208.38.00.90, 7208.39.00.15, 7208.39.00.30, 7208.39.00.90, 7208.40.60.30, 7208.40.60.60, 7208.53.00.00, 7208.54.00.00, 7208.90.00.00, 7210.70.30.00, 7210.90.90.00, 7211.14.00.30, 7211.14.00.90, 7211.19.15.00, 7211.19.20.00, 7211.19.30.00, 7211.19.45.00, 7211.19.60.00, 7211.19.75.30, 7211.19.75.60, 7211.19.75.90, 7212.40.10.00, 7212.40.50.00, 7212.50.00.00.

CERTAIN HOT-ROLLED FLAT-ROLLED CARBON-QUALITY STEEL COVERED BY THIS ORDER, INCLUDING: VACUUM DEGASSED, FULLY STABILIZED; HIGH STRENGTH LOW ALLOY; AND THE SUBSTRATE FOR MOTOR LAMINATION STEEL MAY ALSO ENTER UNDER THE FOLLOWING TARIFF NUMBERS: 7225.11.00.00, 7225.19.00.00, 7225.30.30.50, 7225.30.70.00, 7225.40.70.00, 7225.99.00.90, 7226.11.10.00, 7226.11.90.30, 7226.11.90.60, 7226.19.10.00, 7226.19.90.00, 7226.91.50.00, 7226.91.70.00, 7226.91.80.00, AND 7226.99.00.00. ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE

PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE MERCHANDISE UNDER ORDER IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER A-588-846.
4. THE U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION (ITC) DETERMINED THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES DO NOT EXIST WITH RESPECT TO SUBJECT IMPORTS FROM JAPAN. AS A RESULT OF THE COMMISSIONS NEGATIVE CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES DETERMINATION, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE WILL REFUND ALL CASH DEPOSITS AND RELEASE ALL BONDS COLLECTED ON CERTAIN HOT-ROLLED FLAT-ROLLED CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 21, 1998 AND BEFORE FEBRUARY 19, 1999. INTEREST PROVISIONS OF SECTION 778 OF THE TARIFF ACT OF 1930 DO NOT APPLY.

FOR IMPORTS OF CERTAIN HOT-ROLLED FLAT-ROLLED CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL CONTINUE TO SUSPEND LIQUIDATIONS OF SUCH SHIPMENTS ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER FEBRUARY 19, 1999. EFFECTIVE JUNE 29, 1999, CUSTOMS SHALL REQUIRE, FOR SUCH ENTRIES, A CASH DEPOSIT EQUAL TO THE MARGINS SHOWN BELOW:

MFR/PRODUCER/ EXPORTER	CUSTOMS ID NUMBER	MARGIN/ PERCENTAGE
ALL OTHERS	A-588-846-000	29.30
NKK CORPORATION	A-588-846-001	17.86
KAWASAKI STEEL CORPORATION	A-588-846-002	67.14
NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION	A-588-846-003	19.65

5. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, PLEASE CONTACT, VIA E-MAIL, THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE SUPERVISORY CHANNELS, OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY LIAISON, USING THE ATTRIBUTE HQ OAB. THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT NITHYA



NAGARAJAN, OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT  
ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-4243.

6. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS  
INFORMATION.

PAUL SCHWARTZ

## Company Details

\*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party